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In re Application of

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Application No. 10/586,891

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For: Honeycomb Body ...

Counter Structures

DECISION ON

PETITION UNDER

37 CFR 1.137 (b)

This decision is in response to applicants' "PETITION FOR REVIAVAL OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION," filed on 21 June 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 17 January 2005, this international application was filed, claiming an earliest priority date of 13 January 2004. The deadline for paying the basic national fee in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495 was 13 July 2006.

On 21 July 2006, applicant filed a Transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), which was accompanied by, the basic national fee and a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) and the petition fee. No executed declaration or oath was filed at such time.

DISCUSSION

A grantable petition to revive an abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by (1) the required reply, unless previously filed. In a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application; (2) the petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m); and (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20 (d)) required pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section.

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Petitioner has provided: (1) the proper reply by submitting the basic national fee, (2) the petition fee set forth in §1.17(m) and (3) the proper statement under 137(b)(3). In this application, no terminal disclaimer is required.

Accordingly, the petition is deemed to satisfy requirements (1) - (4) under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

DECISION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

This application is being returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for continued processing.

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